## I Try

## Talib Kweli

Yeah, yeah
New Talib Kweli
You know what it is
Come on
Hey yo, hey yo, hey yoI try, I try
I try, you know I try
I try, I try

I try, you know I tryK West, Kweli
Got searched on the plane, Arabic first name
Disturbed by the fame just like Kurt Cobain
Breath of life, kiss of death, my lips pursed the same
You flirt 'til she came

Nothin' hurt like the pain and torture
Daughters of the dust lookin' for a vein
Something to take in vain like the Lord's name
Put your hands together, got 'em all sayin'I try, I try
I try, you know I try
I try, I try

I try, you know I tryYo, it's all ghetto in gear higher, the floor settle

More metal for beef that we don't let the law settle

I try to navigate the treacherous waters of

America's ghettos that set up the slaughterers

But there's more of us

Although we speak in different languages

We all pretty familiar with what anger is

Young and dangerous, trick a strangle is

Get up on some gangsta shitGuns to bang ya wit'

And we put it on records to entertain ya wit'

I'm grown with pains way deeper than my receivers

Our uniforms is white sneakers and white T-shirts

On top of wife beaters, we like to light reefers

The 'hood need us for rappers, just ain't the right leaders

I put a lot into it

This is my product and I gotta move it

Stop the industry but you can't stop the musicAn upside down kingdom where life is just not fair Some many sufferin' 'cuz deep inside they're scared

Fear pumped into their veins to keep them from their destiny

Where would they be if you and I don't care?I try, I try

You know I try

## I try, I try

I try, you know I tryYo, the things I'm seein' on the news is insane
A stock broker shoot his kid and throw himself in front of a train
A mother leave her baby home for two weeks all by himself
Three years old, eatin' ketchup and mustard, cryin' for help

Tryin' to bring your struggle to life
The label want a song about a bubbly life
I have trouble tryin' to write some shit
To BANG in the club through the night

When people suffer tonight, Lord knows I tryI try, I try

I try, you know I try I try, I try

I try, you know I tryLife is a beautiful struggle
People search through the rubble for a suitable hustle
Some people usin' the noodle, some people usin' the muscle
Some people put it all together, make it fit like a puzzle

Come on, say it now

Life is a beautiful struggle

People search through the rubble for a suitable hustle Some people usin' the noodle, some people usin' the muscle Some people put it all together, yeahI try, I try

You know I try
I try, oh Lord I try
Everyday IUpside down kingdom
Oh, they're so scared
Everyday on the news we can't look around with
something somewhereI try, I try

You know I try
I try, I try
I try, you know I try
Lord knows, Lord knows we try, yeah

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